

2 August 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Nicosia Bureau--July 1982

I. GENERAL

Arabic coverage was focused almost exclusively on the continuing crisis in Lebanon during July. There has hardly been a day during the nearly 7-week-long siege of Beirut that there have not been artillery and rocket exchanges between the Palestinians and Israelis or Israeli air attacks, and when there is little military news, there are diplomatic developments. As the month closed, the eighth cease-fire around Beirut was holding, with conflicting reports on whether the Palestinian forces would pull out. The Arabic section has been hard-pressed to continue coverage of the crisis, and each monitor in the section has been working a 6-day week with additional hours of overtime when needed.

In Cyprus itself, the bureau covered the special session on Palestine of the Nonaligned Coordinating Bureau, which was held at the Hilton Hotel across the street from the office. The 3-day conference generated a good deal of copy, and we were able to video-record the opening session live as well as several news conferences and interviews given by participants.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. On 17 July Nicosia Bureau's coverage of Cairo media was transferred from Jordan to Gulf Bureau because of Jordan's increased workload of covering the Iran-Iraq war. Gulf covers Cairo from 0500 to 2000 GMT, at which time Nicosia takes over coverage until MENA signs off. We also backstop Gulf's coverage of MENA throughout its coverage period.

2. Owing to the changed political and military situation in Lebanon, we took Marj 'Uyun Lebanon Voice of Hope off open-speaker watch on 17 July. We now cover the radio's primary newscasts in Arabic and English.

3. In response to an FCS request, Nicosia conducted a 3-day survey of secondary Lebanese radios; the Voice of Arab Lebanon, the clandestine Radio Free Lebanon, Ihdin Radio of Free and Unified Lebanon and the Voice of the Arab Revolution, which includes broadcasts by the Voice of Lebanese Armenians. We found that reception of the first three radios was good enough to allow for coverage if the need arose and staffing permitted, but that the fourth radio was unheard on all known frequencies. We will again search for the Voice of the Arab Revolution when our cruising monitor returns to duty in August.

4. To cover for the annual leave of our Turkish press monitor, we transferred coverage of the Turkish press to Tel Aviv Bureau from 16-29 July.

5. Coverage of Nicosia's Persian responsibilities was transferred to Gulf Bureau from 18 July - 17 August during the annual leave of our Persian monitor.

6. At the request of BBC, we assumed coverage of the Moscow in Greek to Greece 1500 and 1800 GMT casts from 24 July - 15 August to cover the absence of BBC monitors on annual leave.

B. Technical

1. The trunk and local lines were connected enabling the bureau to remotely tune the single Collins receiver at the [] site. Antenna switching capability awaits the transfer of the Bramco equipment from Pissouri.

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2. The bureau's 007 Intumus paper shredder was connected to the bureau's emergency power supply.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. Nicosia Bureau's new Arabic monitor, [] is now expected to arrive on 9 August.

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B. Visits

1. [] from NEAAD/NAM, tdy'ed at the Bureau 19-22 July. [] was briefed on bureau operations by the chief, senior editor and Greek section.

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2. Cruising monitor [] tdy'ed at London Bureau 21-22 July to familiarize himself with satellite coverage at London/BBC.

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3. On 30 July eight summer hires from the Embassy visited the Bureau for orientation. They were briefed by the senior editor on FBIS's worldwide duties and on Nicosia's coverage area.

4. State Department Eur/SE analyst Eleanor Raven-Hamilton visited the Bureau on 4 July and was given a tour and briefing by the Bureau Chief. She also discussed coverage of Greece and Cyprus with the Greek section.

IV. OTHER

1. Electronic specialist [] who underwent eye surgery in July, is now expected to return to work in early August.

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2. [] has assumed the duties of the Embassy's Community Liaison Officer. As the CLO officer, [] provides support services to Embassy staffers by running an Embassy sponsors program, maintaining a skills bank and furthering post recreational and cultural activities.

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Chief, FBIS Nicosia Bureau

Attachment:

A. Production Report

NICOSIA BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR JULY 1982

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	551,800
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	134,100
(WIREFILED PROGRAM SUMMARIES	40,700)
(FYI'S, ADMINS, SVC., CRUISING, ETC.	93,400)
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1,792

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II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:

(MINUTE OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	10,980	21,630	198
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III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CHINA	
BEIJING IN	
PERSIAN TO IRAN AND AFGHANISTAN	0
(CLANDESTINE) NATIONAL VOICE OF IRAN IN	
PERSIAN	2,100
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAN IN	
PERSIAN	1,700
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF PALESTINE IN	
ARABIC	111,600
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF PALESTINE IN	
ENGLISH	3,000

CYPRUS	
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	600
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN GREEK	25,300
NICOSIA DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN ENGLISH	2,500
NICOSIA DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN GREEK	9,700
NICOSIA ALITHIA IN GREEK	700
NICOSIA BIRLIK IN TURKISH	500
NICOSIA ROZKURT IN TURKISH	0
NICOSIA CYPRUS MAIL IN ENGLISH	1,900
NICOSIA DHIMOKRATIA IN GREEK	0
NICOSIA ELEVETHEROTIPIA IN GREEK	0
NICOSIA EXPRESS TIS KIRIAKIS IN GREEK	800
NICOSIA HALKIN SESI IN TURKISH	0
NICOSIA I DHIMOKRATIKI IN GREEK	0
NICOSIA I ELEVETHEROTIPIA IN GREEK	3,000
NICOSIA I SIMERINI IN GREEK	300
NICOSIA KHARAVYI IN GREEK	1,300
NICOSIA KIBRIS IN ENGLISH	0
NICOSIA O AGON IN GREEK	500
NICOSIA O AGON TIS DHEUTERAS IN GREEK	0
NICOSIA O ANEXARTITOS IN GREEK	0
NICOSIA O FILELEVTHEROS IN GREEK	2,900
NICOSIA O KIRIKAS IN GREEK	3,500
NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN ENGLISH	1,100

NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN GREEK	0
NICOSIA TA NEA IN GREEK	1,200
NICOSIA THE CYPRUS WEEKLY IN ENGLISH	500
NICOSIA TO VIMA IN GREEK	0
(GREEK EDITORIAL REPORT)	2,000
EGYPT	
CAIRO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	3,200
CAIRO MENA IN ARABIC	20,000
CAIRO MENA IN ENGLISH	2,300
FRANCE	
PARIS AFP IN ENGLISH	51,100
PARIZ IRAN-E AZAD IN PERSIAN	600
GREECE	
ATHENS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN GREEK	11,400
ATHENS ARMED FORCES RADIO IN GREEK	7,600
ATHENS AKROPOLIS IN GREEK	1,100
ATHENS AURIANI IN GREEK	0
ATHENS ELEUTHEROS KOSMOS IN GREEK	0
ATHENS ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN GREEK	1,300
ATHENS EXORMISI IN GREEK	1,400
ATHENS I AUYI IN GREEK	1,300
ATHENS I KATHIMERINI IN GREEK	700
ATHENS KIRIAKATIKI ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN GREEK	0
ATHENS MESIMVRINI IN GREEK	1,200

ATHENS NEA PORIA IN	
GREEK	0
ATHENS ATHENS NEWS IN	
ENGLISH	3,000
ATHENS RIZOSPASTIS IN	
GREEK	1,200
ATHENS TO VIHA IN	
GREEK	1,900
(GREEK EDITORIAL REPORT	700
IRAQ	
BAGHDAD IN	
PERSIAN TO IRAN	2,400
LEBANON	
BEIRUT DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	129,200
BEIRUT VOICE OF LEBANON IN	
ARABIC	97,300
BEIRUT VOICE OF LEBANON IN	
ENGLISH	600
MARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN	
ARABIC	6,700
MARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN	
ENGLISH	2,900
BEIRUT MONDAY MORNING IN	
ENGLISH	0
LIBYA	
TRIPOLI DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	0
TURKEY	
ANKARA ARAYIS IN	
TURKISH	0
ANKARA YANKI IN	
TURKISH	0
ISTANBUL BULVAR IN	
TURKISH	800
ISTANBUL CUMHURIYET IN	
TURKISH	400
ISTANBUL DUNYA IN	
TURKISH	0
ISTANBUL GUNAYDIN IN	
TURKISH	600
ISTANBUL GUNES IN	
TURKISH	500

ISTANBUL HURRIYET IN TURKISH	2,300
ISTANBUL MILLIYET IN TURKISH	800
ISTANBUL TERCUMAN IN TURKISH	700

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC MOSCOW IN	
GREEK TO GREECE	1,200
MOSCOW IN	
GREEK TO CYPRUS	800
MOSCOW IN	
PERSIAN TO IRAN	9,100